NACOR Vendor News
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Register for 2018 NACOR quality reporting
Quality reporting practices can now begin the enrollment process for 2018 NACOR Quality Reporting by completing the new online order form. AQI's NACOR quality reporting options include Quality Concierge and NACOR Standard. NACOR Basic does not include quality reporting.

NACOR dashboard locked down
In preparation for 2017 MIPS data submission to CMS, AQI has locked the provider list and the Improvement Activity attestation tool in the NACOR dashboard. You will not be able to make any changes to the provider list or attest to any Improvement Activities. The provider lists will be unlocked on April 1 for 2018 MIPS reporting. If you have questions, email askaqi@asahq.org.

AQI Developers Resource page updates
AQI has updated the Developers Resource page on the AQI website to include 2018 schema changes and the 2018 xml validator. Additional resources will be posted soon.

AQI data file requirements
When submitting data files to NACOR, make sure that files include the NACOR minimum data fields, which include the following:

- Unique Anesthesia Episode of Care ID (an anesthesia case ID for episode of care)
- Provider TIN
- Provider NPI
- Provider Credentials (e.g. Anesthesiologist, Certified Anesthesiologist Assistant, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist)
- Facility ID
- Date of Service (part of date/time field in conjunction with anesthesia start / end times)
- Anesthesia Start / End Times (part of date/time field in conjunction with date of service)
- Patient Sex
- One or both: Patient age, Patient Date of Birth
- Anesthesia type (Neuraxial, General Anesthesia, Monitored Anesthesia Care, Peripheral Nerve Block, No Anesthesia Provided, Unknown)
- ASA Physical Status (with "E" designator when appropriate)
- ASA CPT Code (with modifiers as appropriate)
- Surgical CPT Code (with modifiers as appropriate)
- Procedure Status
- Payment Method (Commercial***, Government: Medicare Fee for Service - Part A, Government: Medicare Fee for Service - Part B, Government: Medicare Fee for Service - Part C, Government: Medicaid, Government: Military/Veterans, Government: Other, Worker's Compensation, Self-Pay, Charity, Other, Unknown)
- ICD 10 (Required if included as part of the denominator / denominator exclusion / numerator value of a measure)

If you have questions, email askaqi@asahq.org.

CMS measures retired for 2018 MIPS reporting
The following measures have been retired and do not count toward 2018 MIPS quality reporting:

- AQI 29: Prevention of Post-OP Nausea and Vomiting – Combination therapy (Peds)

- AQI 31: PACU Reintubation Rate

- AQI 32: Procedural Safety for Central Line Placement

- AQI 34: Perioperative Cardiac Arrest

- AQI 35: Perioperative Mortality Rate

- AQI 37: Surgical Safety Checklist

- AQI 52: Treatment of Hyperglycemia with Insulin

New measures for 2018 MIPS reporting
If you have any questions regarding the following new QCDR Measures for 2018, email the ASA Quality and Regulatory Affairs department at qra@asahq.org.

- AQI 53: Documentation of Anticoagulant and Antiplatelet Medications when Performing Neuraxial Anesthesia/Analgesia or Interventional Pain Procedures

- AQI 54: Use of Pencil-Point Needle for Spinal Anesthesia

- AQI 55: Team-Based Implementation of a Care-and-Communication Bundle for ICU Patients

- AQI 56: Use of Neuraxial Techniques and/or Peripheral Nerve Blocks for Total Knee Arthroplasty (TKA)

- AQI 57: Safe Opioid Prescribing Practices

- AQI 58: Infection Control Practices for Open Interventional Pain Procedures

- AQI 59: Multimodal Pain Management

- Quantum 31: Central Line Ultrasound Guidance

Reporting Quantum 31: Central Line Ultrasound Guidance
For 2018 ASA licensed measure Quantum 31 for use in the QCDR. Since this is not an ASA/AQI there is no AQI Measure ID. Quantum 31 should be reported as follows:

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